

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4-9 and 11-13 as follows:

4. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the spots are translucent.
5. (amended) A display system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the spots are opaque.
6. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the spots are light coloured, eg. white.
7. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein only one of the first and second surfaces has the matrix of spots thereon.
8. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein both the first and second surfaces have the matrix of spots thereon.
9. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said spots increase in size with increasing distance from an edge of the medium at which a light source is located in use of the display system.
11. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said spots are annular spots.
12. (amended) A display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said matrix covers substantially the entire surface to be illuminated.
13. (amended) An illuminated display system including a display device as claimed in claim 1, in combination with a light source in optical communication with said transparent medium for illuminating said first and second surfaces.

Please add claims 15-18:

15. (new) A display system as claimed in claim 13, wherein said spots increase in size with increasing distance from an edge of the medium at which a light source is located in sue of the display system.
16. (new) A display system as claimed in claim 15, wherein said increase in size is both the external periphery and of the hollow interior periphery.
17. (new) A display device as claimed in claim 11, wherein said spots increase in size with increasing distance from an edge of the medium at which a light source is located in sue of the display system.
18. (new) A display device as claimed in claim 17, wherein said increase in size is both of the external periphery and of the hollow interior periphery.

REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claims 4-9 and 11-13.

A new abstract page is supplied to conform to that appearing on the publication page of the WIPO application, but the new Abstract is typed on a separate page as required by U.S. practice.

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.